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### MARK'S COSTLY FALL.

#### HUGE GERMAN BUDGET HOLE.

#### OCCUPATION EXPENSES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, April 24.  
As a result of the great depreciation in the mark, the 1923 budget for the execution of the peace treaty must be entirely redrafted and the amounts to be paid in foreign currency calculated on the basis of one dollar to 20,000 marks.

The ordinary budget expenditure has risen from 84.5 milliards to 1.4 million millions; and the expenditure from 121.9 to 808.7 milliards of marks.

The total expenditure of 2.2 million millions marks does not include reparations payments which have not yet been estimated for 1923. For example for the Inter-Allied Rhineland Commission 38 milliard marks must be added, and for the maintenance of the occupation troops, etc. 228.3 milliard marks.

The estimate for buildings for occupying troops has been raised from 10.3 to 308.4 milliard marks whilst the accommodation of the Inter-Allied Control Commission now costs 4.4 milliard instead of 147 million marks.

SOCIALISTS URGE OVERTURES.

BERLIN, April 24.

The former Chancellor, Herr von Mueller, one of the Socialist leaders, in a speech at a Socialist meeting, emphasised the necessity of offering a definite sum in connection with the new German proposal to the Entente. He suggested 31 milliard gold marks, of which 26 milliard should be for France and between 4 and 5 milliards for Belgium.

As regards the question of security Herr von Mueller suggested a peace pact between all the states belonging to the Rhine Shipping Commission, and the German Government should undertake not to declare war against any power for at least a generation or a century. Herr von Mueller declared that the German Socialists had agreed with the Socialists of Allied countries regarding this matter. The German Socialists were ready to support the Cuno Government if it did what was necessary and were ready to take the consequences if the Government refused to do so.

### WORLD AMITY.

#### INTERNATIONAL COURT VINDICATED.

#### HARDING'S DEFENCE.

NEW YORK, April 24.  
President Harding, in a speech at the annual luncheon given by the Associated Press of America, defended the decision of the United States to participate in the court of international justice as in harmony with platform pledges, catarorial promises, and American aspirations. He denied that it would be entry into the League of Nations. The Administration had definitely put aside all thought of entering the League.

Referring to the argument that the United States would be placed at a disadvantage in the election of judges for the court through the disparity of national voting power in the League Assembly, Mr. Harding said that if the other great powers could accept without fear of the voting strength of the British Dominions, Americans ought, in view of their English-speaking kinship, to feel themselves free from danger. He commended the court as a great step towards the peaceful settlement of justiciable questions.

### BOXER INDEMNITY SCHEMES.

#### CHINESE MUST BE CONSULTED.

LONDON, April 24.  
Dr. Hart, principal of the Anglo-Chinese College at Tientsin, addressing the China Society, said the allocation of the British portion of the Boxer Indemnity afforded a unique opportunity for giving assistance which would bind Britain and China in real friendship and benefit the whole world. The Chinese however, must be consulted before the final form which such assistance should take was settled, and they should be represented in all educational schemes.

### BRITAIN'S OIL BORINGS.

LONDON, April 24.  
In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Mr. Lane Fox, Under Secretary for Mines, said only two out of the eleven State borings in the United Kingdom was oil found in any appreciable quantities. Both these wells had now been disposed of.

### MACAO NOT BEING SOLD.

LISBON, April 24.  
The rumour relative to the sale of Macao to Germany is denied.

### TIKHON'S TRIAL.

HONGKONG, April 23.  
The trial of the Patriarch Tikhon has been postponed.

### MARKS DOWN AGAIN.

LONDON, April 24.  
Marks have relapsed to 140,000/- 142,000/-

### PRE-WAR CHINA DEBTS.

#### GERMAN AND BRITISH NATIONALS.

#### AGREEMENT CONCLUDED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BERLIN, April 24.

An agreement concluded between the British and German Governments provides for certain pre-war debts by German nationals to British nationals being recognised by a competent court which shall be covered from the proceeds in the hands of the British custodian of enemy property in China resulting from the liquidation of German property. These debts are:-(1) Debts of German residents in China or the branches of German business houses in China at the time the debt was contracted to British subjects, no matter where the latter were resident;-(2) Debts of German nationals, no matter where resident, to British subjects or branches of British business houses resident or existing in China at the time the debt was contracted. Debts under Article 296 of the Versailles Treaty are excluded.

### MATTER OF URGENCY.

#### RECENT FIJI INCIDENT.

LONDON, April 24.

In the House of Commons, Capt. R. Berkely (Conservative), with regard to the Fiji incident asked for an assurance that future unconstitutional acts of this kind would not be taken, and that before pledges were given individuals of the legislature of the Colony would be consulted.

Mr. W. G. A. Gore, Under-Secretary for Colonies, explained that it was clearly a matter of urgency. If an emergency arose in the future, the adoption of emergency measures might be necessary, but naturally constitutional procedure would be followed on all possible occasions.

[A Suva (Fiji) cable dated April 13 stated: A legislative deadlock has arisen owing to the Imperial Government's promise to refund £58,000 export duties to the Colonial Sugar Refining Company without consulting the Fiji legislative authorities. The elected members of the Council have refused to sit until the Duke of Devonshire has undertaken that there will be no repetition of the Imperial Government's "unconstitutional action." The Company has since agreed to forego the refund, has promised a bonus on cane sugar of 42 pence per ton, and has agreed to increase wages by three pence a day, providing the export duties are removed.]

### CASH BASIS ONLY.

#### TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 24.

In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame, of the Board of Trade, stated that £4,986,000 worth of goods had been imported from Russia, and £1,338,000 exported to Russia during the quarter ended December 31, 1922.

Asked whether the figures could not have been increased if there had been better Anglo-Russian relations, Sir Philip Lloyd-Greame said that as long as the Russian Government refused to establish conditions in which credit could be given, trade could only be done on a cash basis.

### MISS ELLIS SAFE AND WELL.

#### BORDER CAPTIVE'S RETURN.

LONDON, April 24.

The India Office announces that the Chief Commissioner of the North West Frontier Province met Miss Ellis and Mrs. Starr near the Orakzai border.

All are well and the whole party is expected at Peshawar to-day.

[Miss Ellis, 15 years old, was kidnapped by Afghani raiders who murdered her mother, wife of the district staff officer. Mrs. Starr, a doctor, went to Miss Ellis' aid.]

### RUSSIA'S OIL EXPORT.

#### SHELL GROUP'S COUP.

LONDON, April 24.

The Agence Economique et Financiere reports that the Royal Dutch Shell Group has purchased 200,000 tons of oil from the Russian soviets and has offered to allow its colleagues in the international consortium to participate in the deal which assures the Shell Company a monopoly in the export of Russian oil for over a year.

### BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE AFFAIR.

#### PROCEEDINGS AGAINST MANAGEMENT.

PARIS, April 24.

It is reported that it has definitely been decided to commence legal proceeding against ten persons formerly concerned in the management of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

### FREIGHT RATE DOWN.

COLOMBO, April 24.

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as she now lies stranded in Lon 110°  
42' 60" E Lat 26° 10' 30" N together  
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Hongkong, April 2, 1923.

The Undersigned have received in-  
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overmantel, carpets, ruga, brass ornaments,  
water colours, pictures, engravings,  
marble clock, etc., etc.

Teak single and double wardrobes with  
glass doors, dressing table, wash stand  
with marble top, chest of drawers, glass  
ware, dinner sets, E. P. cutlery, lace  
curtains, ceiling lights, electricians,  
electric fittings, cooking stove, cooking  
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Several pieces of carved blackwood  
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Also

One Cabinet Victrola

One lot of records

One piano by F. Dorner & Son  
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And

Several enamel baths and porcelain  
basins

And

A Quantity of Plants and ferns in  
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On View from Sunday the 29th  
April, 1923.

Catalogues will be issued.

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**LAMMERT BROS.,**

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Hongkong, April 20, 1923.

The sale of Mint Machinery  
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**PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS  
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OF  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
PROPERTY**

registered as

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Shall we return again to the fashion of wearing a bunch of flowers pinned to our frocks? asks a writer in the *Pall Mall Gazette*. If future events do cast their shadow before us, it really looks as if we shall, for at a big dress show recently most of the tailored suits worn by the mannequins had a charming little coloured ivory flower stuck in the buttonhole. These looked quite enchanting, and it is not a far cry from an ivory flower to a posy of fresh blossoms.

**The Wandering Irishman.**

The true Irishman of culture has no home; he is equipped for the road. His unrivaled books, made for travel, are always fitted into satchels little less lovely than the masterpieces they hold. His harp is to be slung over the shoulder. His bell has its case. His reliquary could be held in the other hand. Everything is hand-size, for everything must conform to the supreme need of his being—mobility—Gerald Heard in the *Fortnightly Review*.

**Signs of Middle Age.**

Now what we wish to impress on women is the fact that it is really the neck that makes women look old, not the face, and that every neck can be improved, except in cases of extreme old age or disease. If young women commenced the neck exercises the very first time they noticed the little hollow or puff under their chin, they could correct the defect and preserve their youthful lines indefinitely.

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**Are Women Potters?**

"Meanwhile, the weight of influence, public and private, continues to urge women to fill their days with practice of what are called the Domestic Arts," says Eliz. Robins in *Good Housekeeping*. The airy plural tells not only of ignorance of the field; it strikes a blow at a power so indispensable to excellence as concentration. No man is expected to practise Arts. If he attempts more than one craft, he is deemed at a lack of all talents. But just as restrained from perfecting herself in some one occupation, let the graduate cut off amateurism into professionalism. Whether this dreaded thing has happened,

whether she has graduated or not, by every device of advertisement and suggestion the leisure of girl and woman is invaded by calls to what cannot so properly be called domestic arts as domestic potteries.

**The McGregor Failure.**

In the bankruptcy of Sir James Rodderick Duff McGregor, Bt., and Edward Albert Biss, who carried on business as bankers and Army agents, at 39, Panton-street, Haymarket, S.W., under the style of Sir Charles R. McGregor, Baronet, and Company, a statement of the affairs of the firm has now been filed in the Court of Bankruptcy.

The statement shows liabilities £743,506, of which £739,058 are returned as expected to rank, and estimated net assets £227,170.

It is stated that there are 8,404 unsecured creditors, but it is understood that the amount showing as due to them may be reduced by a possible claim against the Inland Revenue for refund of income-tax and excess profits duty. The chief assets are cash at bank £59,536, stocks and shares £50,400, good book debts £36,566, and bad £29,012, and doubtful ditto £96,062, estimated to realise £22,888. The separate estate of the debtor, Sir J. R. D. McGregor Bt., discloses an estimated surplus in assets of £1,093, after payment of his liabilities amounting to £2,80. That of Mr. E. A. Biss, now deceased, shows an estimated surplus in assets of £9,589, after payment of his liabilities returned at £31.

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#### DEATHS.

AUCOTT.—At Victoria B.C. on the 17th April, Ernest James John, aged 11 years, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Aucott.

REMEDIOS.—On April 24 at No. 6, Humphreys Avenue, Kowloon, SARA AUGUSTA, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vasco L. dos Remedios, aged 25 years. (Shanghai, Manila, Macao and Japan papers please copy.)

#### The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1923.

#### WHEELS WITHIN WHEELS.

Trivial things like voice, mannerism and dress have been known to decide the fate of men being tried for their lives. Jury men have even been known to discount evidence because the witness had been seen reading a certain sporting journal in court, and they would not (they have later avowed) "believe a man on his oath who read a paper like that!" But remarkable though these examples of psychology are they find equally amazing parallels in the factors which often decide the fate of nations, of civilisations even. France has just provided a notable instance in the Ruhr invasion. With the country's huge budget deficit growing ever greater, her politicians found themselves in a truly awkward dilemma. Either they must secure the reparations money or they must increase taxation. The first course meant untold perils but the second promised certain defeat when the next election came round. Therefore they invaded Germany. And the history of Europe took a new turn. Thus the French peasant, concerned only with his own pocket, decided the fate of a whole world. Likewise, the American Middle West farmer dominating Congress, retarded economic recovery by holding Bri-

tain to her huge debt and forcing her, in turn, to press other nations labouring under the war's terrible burdens. Similar examples are legion. They are found in every country. The voter, seeing usually only his own selfish interest, sways the politician and the politician, fearing his agent, follows dictates which have untold consequences. With every nation being ruled largely this same way you have modern diplomacy—slow, unwieldy, futile. But the voter, with his quite-human impulses, is not wholly to blame. Politicians intrigue among themselves and play with a nation's fate, a world's destiny, for their own selfish ends. Study Cabinet history during the past twenty years and you will speedily learn that. The specific case which has prompted these remarks is mentioned among to-day's later cables. President Harding is found defending America's decision to participate in the Court of International Justice. Any detached observer would think this action, eminently sensible, required little defence. But then he would forget politics. Anxious to discredit Mr. Harding's prospects in the coming election, political opponents have been quick to insinuate that the decision means entry into the League, the unloved League which, as a political issue, has already cost one able President his seat. But the League apart, responsible American journals state that the Senate leaders opposing America's entry into the World Court are all nursing presidential ambitions of their own. And they realise that should he achieve success with this issue, Mr. Harding would materially enhance his prospects for renomination and re-election. Thus, once more, are the great causes of humanity made the playthings of scheming politicians.

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#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Four cases of small-pox and one of cerebro-spinal fever were notified yesterday. All the patients were Chinese.

Lt. H. J. Mortimer of the Hongkong and Singapore Br. R.G.A. has been granted leave from 26th October on private affairs.

Command orders state that the official rate of the dollar for all payments fixed in sterling, which have to be made in Hongkong and on the China Station during the month of May, will be 2s. 3d.

The Cheung Chau Government school is to hold its first annual sports meeting on the Football Ground at Cheung Chau next Saturday at 12.30 p.m. Mrs. Alabaster will present the prizes at 4.30.

First-class caterers are required for service on the local trains of the Kowloon-Canton Railway (British Section) and for the refreshment rooms at Kowloon. Details will be found in the advertisement columns.

Much regret is felt by lawyers practising in the Mixed Court, Shanghai, at the retirement from the bench on the 18th inst. of Mr. A. D. Blackburn, Senior British Assessor, who is shortly going on furlough prior to promotion to a Consular post in the interior. As British Assessor, the retiring Assessor has been made the recipient of a number of tokens of regard by the Court staff and others.

For stealing an overcoat belonging to Mr. Joseph and a felt hat the property of Mr. M. Ellis, who resides at a new house in Caine Road, a Chinese was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning. According to Sub-Inspector R. Lanigan of No. 7 Station, defendant is believed to have climbed up a bamboo pole to the verandah from which he entered the house.

Regarding the matter of additional accommodation at the Children's Playground, at Kowloon, to which reference was made in the summary of recent activities of the Kowloon Residents' Association published yesterday, Mr. T. A. Martin, the hon. secretary, states that the Government has now intimated its intention to erect a temporary moshed in order to afford the children additional shade during the summer months.

The Sanitary Board met yesterday afternoon when letters were received from the Colonial Secretary, notifying the appointment of Lieut.-Col. F. G. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., to a place on the Board and the re-election of Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., C.B.E. On the preposition of Mr. G. R. Sayer, the President, Dr. Koch and Mr. S. W. Tso were selected to consider and report upon the Sanitary Department's proposals regarding the Estimates.

#### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Professor Charles A. Beard, an American authority on civic problems, was an interested spectator at the Shanghai Mixed Court last week.

According to a Daily Bulletin telegram, Prince Aimone di Savoia is seriously suffering from double pneumonia in the Shanghai General Hospital.

Mr. Sidney Barton, C.M.G., H. M. Consul-General, is to perform the opening ceremony of the new premises of the Chartered Bank next Saturday in Shanghai.

Mr. Somerset Maugham, the well-known playwright, who has been staying in Peking for some time, recently left for Japan travelling through Korea on his way to England via America.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has been appointed Minister of Health in succession to Sir Arthur Boscowen, and Sir William Joynson-Hicks succeeds Mr. Chamberlain as Postmaster-General.

The King held the first levee of the season in mail week at St. James's Palace. As is usual on the occasion of the first levee of the year, the attendance was almost entirely diplomatic, naval and military.

At the request of Queen Alexandra, the Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston has undertaken to organise a ball at Lansdowne House in aid of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses. The ball takes place on April 26.

Home papers announce the death, in his 66th year, of the Earl of Plymouth, who will be more particularly remembered by Londoners for his successful efforts to save the Crystal Palace and its grounds from the hands of the suburban builder.

#### ELSEWHERE.

(TOM WRIGHT STUFF.)

When I was a boy I could not understand why Eugene Sue made his wandering Jew unhappy. It seemed to me a fine life, and rather an advantage than otherwise, that he need not fear death in some foreign hospital. He got lots of scenery, and wasn't bothered with passports. Now that age is putting its chop on me, I begin to savvy. Looking back I seem to discover that I have rarely got the full flavour of any place I have been in, because I have always, in every place had a part of my mind scouting ahead to that ungeographic locality that bears the name of Elsewhere. I am always going there, and never arriving. Did I stop to taste the famous ale in the Black Horse at Steyning in Sussex, or walk over Lavant near Goodwood from Chichester to the Horse and Grapes in Singleton, was my mind on Midhurst to which I should in a few hours come? No, it was in Africa, thinking that though the roads might be worse in Rhodesia, the shooting would be better. In the Spread Eagle at Midhurst, an old Carolean inn you ought to visit some day, an inn which I now in mid Pacific, am thinking of as Elsewhere and to be aimed for again or ever many moons have waned, I would fall to thinking of Australia, and how pleasant it must be to be a sun-downer. When an inn was a sun-downer, lumping my swag in my "bluey" like the best of them, I spent long moments thinking about the isles of the Pacific, and the taste of Polynesia got mixed, I remember, with the flavours of Hongkong, not because Hongkong was Hongkong (as I thought at the time) but because it was Elsewhere. So here I lately began to think of Paris, but the recent political eccentricities of the French having put both Paris and Tahiti out of the Elsewhere likelihoods, I am thinking of Canada. I met a Canadian on a seat in a local park and talked with him long about his country. As is the way of Canadians, he praised it. I told him about the inns at Home, and particularly that tale of the rustic who asked the landlord of a Sussex inn what the "stop press" bare space in the paper from Lunnon was for. "There for in case some portant news come late, I be told" said mine host of the inn, looking benignantly upon his flock of faithfuls. "Nay," said Jarge, "I don't believe that's the reason." "Well then, Jarge," said Boniface, winking at the others, "what do you suppose it be for?" "Oo do think it be left bare for they pore souls as haven't been learned for to read," said Jarge.

When I overhear little things like that, the burden of Elsewhere is not so heavy upon me. My Canadian told me, sitting on this seat in a Honolulu park, a story of a professor of thought-reading who conducted a class in that "science." One of his most promising pupils was a young lady in whom, as was not unnatural, a young gentleman took a certain interest. She persuaded the young man to join the class, and sat beside him at the scenes. One afternoon, without a word spoken, she turned on the young man and violently boxed his ears.

Naturally, I went again to meet that Canadian, but found another man occupying the seat. He was a little plump man with blue eyes and a happy expression. I asked him if he minded sharing the seat, and his reply showed me that he was a Londoner. We talked, and I learned that he originated in East Ham. Some man had heartlessly advised him that this was a good place to come to look for work. He operates lifts, acts as janitor, and was reconciled to going back to Vancouver. He "airid" me when speaking. There are three ways of saying "sir." There is Dr. Johnson's way, which is rhetorical merely, and for emphasis. There is the southern American way, which is a cliché, and carries no respect; and there is the English way, which does. My happy little man who had failed to find a job had been an atheist since 17, and quoted Bradlaugh, Ingersoll, Shelley, and others with a remarkable fluency. He called my attention to the beautiful colour of the foliage about us, and the wonderful light effects. One of his remarks was (and I loved him for it):

"Why should I respect Mrs. Grundy? I am not related to her. She is not a member of our royal family. I believe in adaptation. Same as Darwin talks about. Great man Darwin. In a climate like this I don't eat three meat meals a day, for instance. Don't need 'em. Mrs. Grundy makes 'em eat what isn't good for them in places like this. I tell her. Take socks, for example. What do we wear socks for? To keep our feet warm. But in this climate we cannot but have warm feet. It was more to keep them from chafing."

He was that rare thing, a generous, controversialist. He said promptly, "Now I think of it, you are probably right there, sir. As a matter of fact, there is some skin off some of my toes now."

Not to be outdone in generosity, I said I had read that in the Foreign Legion of the French army socks were not issued, and so on, even on long marches, so that perhaps it was possible to learn to do without them. Personally, if it were only Mrs. Grundy who was concerned, I would not wear them as now, that I had no female to darn for me they were my chief problem. I wore them until they were disgraceful wrecks and then bought new ones. I had tried to go without, but my feet got sore.

It was a bit of sympathy. We sat talking till that afternoon, and we have arranged to walk to the Pali together to-morrow afternoon. I shall wear socks. But then I shall be moving in the duration of elsewhere, so that I shall be happy even if the talk do not make me so.

Brave little man! I know that this adaptation was somewhat encouraged by dearth of cash. I have been there myself. I said that he regarded the wearing of socks. I did not think the object was to have

#### OPUM SEIZURE.

"CHINESE MEDICINE" FOR SHANGHAI.

Sixteen hundred pounds of raw opium contained in nine large cases, intended for export to Shanghai, were seized by Detective Sergeant O'Connor and a number of police on board the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's steamer "Tai Shun" lying alongside the company's wharf at West Point, yesterday morning.

The cases were placed in the hold of the ship bearing marks "Chinese medicine." The description of the contents according to the manifest was also Chinese medicine and a Chinese firm in Hillier Street was supposed to be the exporters. Inquiries revealed that the address and shipper's name were fictitious.

#### STUDENT ARRESTED.

After the seizure was effected a number of Revenue Officers waited at the China Merchant offices as freight had not been paid on the nine cases. A Chinese student turned up and he was arrested, giving his name as Mak Chi-wing with an address at the Yan Wo boarding-house, Connaught Road Central. At the Imports & Exports office he said that he had been asked by a friend who met him in the street to pay the freight. He was accordingly charged with exporting or abetting to export and alternatively, with unlawful possession of 1,666 pounds of raw opium valued at \$60,000. Bail was granted in the sum of \$5,000 which was quickly forthcoming and the student was released.

This morning Mr. H. A. Taylor, assistant superintendent and monopoly analyst of the Imports and Exports Department appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood to prosecute but the student had "jumped bail." The Magistrate asked what Mr. Taylor wished to be done and Mr. Taylor said that the amount of bail had been fixed after consultation with Mr. Lloyd, the superintendent. He, therefore, asked for the bail to be estreated.

His Worship made the order as requested.

#### SOUTH CHINA ATHLETES.

SATURDAY'S FAREWELL MATCH.

In spite of the numerous institutions which have sprung up in recent years in this Colony, the constant calls in respect of them made on the purses of the community, the support accorded to the membership campaign is unceasing. In fact, it has become more enthusiastic as is seen from the results of the annual membership campaign just ended.

According to Mr. C. F. Yuen, acting honorary secretary to the association, they show a total number of 1236 members and an amount of \$11,602.50 which are slightly over and above last year's figures. The above sum includes a second donation of \$2,000 from Mr. H. M. H. Nomazee and \$100 from The Asiatic Petroleum Co. (S.C.) Ltd. This is no doubt due to the efforts made by the majority of its members and the awakening of the Chinese general public to the importance of physical education towards which the South China Athletic Association has done a great deal.

Before the departure of its athletes consisting of footballers, baseballers, etc., for Japan to take part in the approaching Far Eastern Olympic Games, there will be a farewell match between the teams of this association and of the Hongkong Football Club (not Kowloon as wrongly given on the admission tickets) on Saturday, the 26th instant at 5 p.m., on the Club Ground. It will be remembered that the South China Team have been holding the Far Eastern Olympic Championship for four successive terms, and it is hoped that they will retain it in the next meet. A good game is expected on Saturday.

#### NO SHORTAGE OF SKILLED LABOUR.

(6) There is no scarcity of skilled labourers, and procuring of more such is not difficult, but the labourers in the interior of China would always hesitate coming to Hongkong considering the high rent and the high cost of living here, and therefore unless an increase of wages is obtained, there would be no inducement for them to come. We would ask the Government to grant builders permission to erect temporary mosheds on or near the spot where houses are being built and allow a great majority of the workmen to dwell there, thus avoiding having to pay rent and it would also save their fare and time to and fro. It will then become easier to obtain cheap and skilled labour.

(7) The service of a middleman is almost indispensable. In the case of direct employment, the workmen always insist upon being paid by the day irrespective of the amount of work done, and what can ordinarily be accomplished in one day will take them two or three days to do. On the contrary if the work is done through a middleman, what generally takes two days to complete may be finished in one day. Nowadays the big docking companies in the Colony mostly adopt this method of getting work done through middlemen, which proves the advisability and benefit so to do.

(8) Brick, tile and lime are the principal materials for building and the Government should think of some means of encouraging these industries, such as a free gift of land to carry on the work. Moreover, cement is also a great requisite for building, the use of which has grown much more popular now than ever before. As there is only the Green Island Cement Company in the Colony, the demand is often greater than the supply, causing the natural result of a rapid advance in price. The Government

#### HOUSING PROBLEM.

SUGGESTIONS BY CHINESE CHAMBERS.

#### GOVERNMENT AID URGED.

The sub-committee appointed by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to investigate the housing problem has now submitted its report to the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Chairman of the Housing Commission. It was a sub-committee of eight and included the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Building Contractors' Association.

The points submitted to the Housing Commission were:

- (1) The standardization (with the object of reducing the cost of buildings of)
  - (a) designs for houses.
  - (b) fixtures and fittings for houses.
- (2) The reduction of the cost of building materials.
- (3) The use of cheaper or more suitable kinds of building materials.
- (4) The greater employment of labour-saving machines or devices.
- (5) Improved methods for the transportation of building materials.
- (6) Procuring an increased supply of skilled labourers.
- (7) Reducing the number of middlemen.
- (8) Other methods for reducing the cost of house construction.

2. Measures which should be taken by the Government for promoting any of the above objects.

3. Measures which should be taken by the Government.

(1) To increase the quantity of housing accommodation; and in particular

(2) To facilitate the building of more houses for occupation by

(i) Persons of moderate means.

(ii) The working classes.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS MADE.

The following is the report of the Chamber's committee.

(1), (2) and (3): We suggest that the Government be asked to modify the existing regulations relating to designs and not to be too strict and stringent on the use of building materials. If the materials used are of a strong and lasting nature they should be passed.

(4): It will be necessary for the Building Authorities to suggest a model design of some sort and invite the public to offer its opinion on same.

(5): The Government should allow building contractors at the lowest possible price one or two pieces of land wherein to erect large workshops for keeping labour saving machines.

(6): The Government should be approached to erect one or two piers at convenient centres or build several large lighters solely for the purpose of allowing builders to transport materials. This will reduce transportation expenses, because there is no spare ground where building materials could be placed, and in case materials transported from the interior of China arrived here and were unable to unload in time, they must be kept in the junks and incur very heavy expenses.

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## CANTON CONFLICT.

## SUN AND EX-PREMIER.

## WU PEI-FU'S TROOPS RETREATING

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, April 25.—It is reported that Dr. C. H. Wang, the ex-Premier, was favourably received by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Dr. Sun is said to have pointed out to Dr. Wang, that being a Cantonese, his (Dr. Wang's) public services would reap more fruits if put to use in Kwangtung where the disturbed conditions were acute and that he would be welcomed in his native province. The ex-Premier is said to have replied that as he had accepted an international judicial appointment at the Hague, he had no option but to decline.

Authoritative advice has been received that the Northern troops despatched by Marshal Wu Pei-fu to aid Shun Hung-ying's dethroned Kwangsiites, have come to the conclusion that the situation is too far gone to retrieve and are moving towards the Kiangsi-Hunan border without fighting.

## SUN'S MONEY TROUBLES.

CANTON, April 24.—No further reports of fighting on any scale have been received and it seems as if the Kwangsi element has been defeated all along the line. If Shun's men, with assistance from Wu Pei-fu, were capable of offering resistance they would have done so by now. The latest advice is to the effect that Shun is moving towards Nam Hung, the town on the important caravan route to the north.

In spite of the prestige created by the victories, Sun's adherents are hard pressed for money. Several schemes are in the air to raise urgent funds but the people do not seem keen to comply with requests. One vernacular paper has already reported that the salt merchants have received instructions to pay some of the monopoly revenues in advance. To-day another mentions that the Finance Department has written to a large number of firms and shops requesting loans of \$1,000 from each. A rumour has also been freely circulated to effect that the authorities will impose a tax of one month's rent on all premises. The Yunnan troops are gradually taking over that part of the Yueh-Han Railway occupied by the Kwangsiites but there seems little possibility of their turning in the revenues as they will require the receipts, when the service is resumed, for their own upkeep.

Yau Hi-man convened a meeting of the leaders of the various denominations supporting Sun at which it was agreed that the campaign against the Kwangsiites should be pursued till the latter were driven out of Kwangtung, when Ying Tak, Shiu Kwan and Nam Hung would be specially garrisoned to prepare for any further hostilities with the Northerners.

## AGRICULTURAL STATION ATTACK.

A story which has been related and credited in Canton, regarding the Kwangsi attack on the Agricultural Experimental Station, at that time the headquarters of Yang Hi-man, commander-in-chief of the Yunnanese troops in Kwangtung, goes to the effect that a picked detachment of Kwangsiites led by Li Yik-pui in person was detailed to attack a certain building in which Yang was supposed to have been staying. Yang is said to have received warning in the nick of time and to have escaped through the loyalty of some of his bodyguards.

About twelve of them, with their chief, are said to have seized a number of muskets and rushed through a side door, firing rapidly at the Kwangsiites. More than half of the guards are reported to have been killed but Yang escaped to Canton. Some of the Kwangsiites were shot down, this probably starting the rumour circulated at the beginning of the campaign, that Li Yik-pui had either been killed or wounded.

## CHEAPER FARES.

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## CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

## ARMS ON A JUNK.

The trial of five Chinese, charged with unlawful possession of arms aboard a junk, was continued at the Criminal Sessions to-day before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) and a jury.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. F. C. Jenkins opened the case for the defence. Counsel described the case as an unusual one and asked the jury not to pay too much attention to the evidence of Sergt. Snare, who, he asserted, had deliberately tried to make a better case out of what was already a good one.

In outlining the case, Mr. Jenkins said that between 5 and 6 a.m. a man, accompanied by two coolies, came aboard and said he wanted three bags taken to a junk in the harbour. The bags were placed in the hold and the man who had brought them left the junk saying he would return later. The junk waited until 10 a.m., when a man came to engage it to remove 31 bags of feathers from the s.s. "Taiwan Maru." Very shortly after, the police boarded the boat.

The boat-woman stated that she thought the bags contained axes and hatchet-blades. She informed the Police Sergeant that she was taking the bags to the Water Police Station, her reason being that her mother had done so on a former occasion.

## THIS MORNING'S EVIDENCE.

When the case was resumed this morning, the Court was crowded with boat-people who took a great interest in the proceedings. Mr. Jenkins called the second prisoner (a woman) who stated the lower hold was used as a kitchen. There would not be room in it for the two sacks in addition to the stoves and pots.

In reply to the prosecution witness said if the furniture was removed, it would be possible to store the sacks. "When we had fetched the feathers from the Japanese ship, we should have stored the feathers in the lower hold. I have no camphor-wood box on my junk. All my boxes are kept in the stern hold."

The witness again asserted that it was her intention to take the two sacks of arms to the Water Police. "I did not know that the sacks contained arms. I put them in the hold until the owner came to claim them." The witness mentioned another bag, the contents of which eventually proved to be revolvers. The witness said she had been promised \$2.00 for removing the sacks, but the money had not yet been paid. She denied that any bag was open when the police found it. At the time the police arrived prisoner No. 4 was fending off the launch from the junk.

The third accused (also a woman) said she was making some tea, when the sacks were brought on board. She added that the previous witness had lifted up the boards and showed the bags to the police. She denied having thrown any sacks overboard, as alleged by the police-sergeant. One of the children, witness said, had accidentally knocked tin of tea overboard.

In cross-examination, she stated that there were two boat-hooks on board the junk. She denied that she had lifted a board, as stated by the engineer on the police launch.

By the Court.—The children on board are mine. The other accused are no relations of mine.

Chow Yao-po was called next for the defence. He is employed in a firm in Wenlock Street. His firm was expecting a cargo of feathers and the cargo runner was sent to make arrangements for the cargo being brought ashore.

The runner gave evidence as to how hardware is carried on junks. He was detained at the Water Police Station and later was sent for to the Central Station. This was a week after his arrest. He engaged the junk of accused No. 1, to go and fetch the feathers. He had engaged the same junk on three previous occasions last year. The case is proceeding.

## MURDER TRIAL.

## ACCUSED MAN'S DENIAL.

Before His Honour, the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees-Davies), the murder trial, in which Wa Kwong-chow is charged, was continued this morning. The case had not been concluded when this edition went to press.

In a statement from the dock, accused acknowledged that he had gone to the house on the day of the murder with the intention of assisting in a robbery. He denied having fired any shots with a revolver, stating that he was not present in the house when any shots were fired.

The case against Lam Chuen, who is charged with having aided Kwong-chow in the robbery, and murder, will be heard tomorrow morning.

## CHINA COAST.

## LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain E. M. Gellie, of the "Liugchow," is on reserve. Captain A. R. McCachran, from reserve, has gone master, "Nanning."

Mr. G. L. Crumpton, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Tatung."

Mr. J. Said, third engineer, "Shans," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Gordon, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Shans."

Mr. G. Henderson, third engineer, "Chungking," is on reserve.

Mr. W. G. Nunney, from reserve, has gone supply second engineer, "Liugchow."

Mr. A. McPherson, third engineer, "Shengking," is on reserve.

Mr. W. Rydon, chief officer, "Kwongsang," has gone acting master, "Easang."

Captain J. F. Xicoll, of the "Isang," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Woodley, second officer, "Hopsang," has gone acting chief officer, "Kwongsang."

Captain J. Campbell, of the "Hopsang," is on reserve.

Mr. R. C. Thompson, chief officer, "Hopsang," has gone acting master, same ship.

Mr. A. J. N. Wood, second officer, "Kungwo," has gone acting chief officer, "Hopsang."

Mr. R. Thomson, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Tungwo."

Mr. F. Dunstan, second engineer, "Loongwo," is on reserve.

Captain W. R. Wallace, of the "Hsinming," is on reserve.

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## CANADIAN SEAMAN'S DEATH.

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## QUEEREST FIGHT.

### WHY SIKI AND MCTIGUE DEFIED REBELS.

Describing his visit to Dublin to see the Siki-McTigue fight there, Mr. B. Bonnison in the *Daily Telegraph* wrote:

I am back but a few hours ago from Dublin, poor, neurotic, cruelly-changed Dublin—not dear, dreamy, dirty Dublin I once knew and loved, but a city of whispers, a city all mistrust; an armed Dublin. As I write I feel as a man who has emerged from a nightmare of ugliness; I have stalked abroad with violence and death at my elbow; and I shiver and shudder.

My mission to Dublin was to see the fight between Battling Siki and Mike McTigue. No such contest, not in all the years I have been associated with sport, has given off such an atmosphere; the like of it can never be again, nor will ever be pitched on such a cockpit of trouble and strife and irresponsibility.

We said of Reno when Johnson and Jim Jeffries fought, that it was extravagantly wild, and men there flirted with and laughed at death, but as I visualise Reno it was a model of orderliness, tractable and tame by comparison with Dublin; for at Reno men deposited their six-shooters before they took up a position at the ringside.

### ASKING FOR TROUBLE.

To me Dublin, on Saturday night, and for days before, was as a city where dire trouble was openly, blatantly courted; guns were terrible in their plenitude. And yet, amazing thing, it was not only possible to hold the fight, but some 2,000 people, among whom were many richly gowned women, went to it; an incredible circumstance.

For on Friday morning there came a message to the promoters from the General Headquarters of the Irregulars, forbidding the contest to take place; it was decreed that Iceland, by way of celebrating St. Patrick's Day, should mourn for the rebels who had been shot; but the promoters refused to creep into their holes.

This fight will take place though the heavens should fall—that was their slogan; and the Government, who are struggling for the establishment of law and order, said in effect: "There must be no holding out now. Siki and McTigue have got to go into the ring, else we make an unholly confession of weakness."

I left my hotel in company with Georges Carpenter, Francois Descamps, the inimitable Tom Webster, and others of my friends, a few minutes before seven o'clock on Saturday night. We pulled our car up to within easy distance of the Scala Theatre; further progress was impossible, for we ran up against a crowd many thousands strong, fringed by an army of police—great, big fellows, giants every one of them.

We had literally to fight our way through a mob that yelled and roared their welcome to the Frenchman, who suffered to be hit and cuffed and kissed by the exuberant Irish folk. And then myself and those of our party were lifted bodily over barriers which had been placed across Princes-street. My hat was flattened, my body bruised, not by any viciousness of the people.

### ONLY A LITTLE BOMB.

They were delightfully good-tempered souls, but I was profoundly grateful when I reached the door of the theatre. Here I was greeted by a laughing man in civilian clothes, who, with the help of others, searched me for firearms, afterwards to be allowed to proceed to my seat. Boxing was already in progress.

I had scarcely taken up my position when there was a crash and a bang without. "That's a bomb," was whispered; "but only a little one," my next-door neighbour assured me. But it was poor consolation to hear the master of ceremonies announce that, in obedience to a military order no person would be allowed to leave the building until 11.30; for this meant that at a modest estimate I would be held captive for two hours after the big fight was over.

The wildest rumours floated around, and I confess that I fidgeted and conjured up many strange and weird fancies when I was enjoined not to trust my best friend on the principle that you never know who's who. Unthinkable Dublin!

## RUSSELL CASE.

### JURY'S VERDICT FOR HUSBAND.

#### CO-RESPONDENT CLEARED.

After ten days' hearing of his petition, the Hon. John Hugo Russell (son and heir of Lord Ampthill) was on March 18 granted a decree nisi with costs. He made two charges against his wife, Mrs. Christabel Russell (formerly Hart)—adultery with a man unknown and adultery with the named co-respondent, Mr. Edgar Jacquard Mayer. The jury found that the first charge proved, but not the second.

At the outset of the day's hearing Mr. Justice Hill, continuing his summing up, asked: Was Mr. Russell in the box trying to tell the jury the truth? Of course, it might be that after the stress of this long controversy of two years Mr. Russell might have become convinced that something happened which never happened or that something did not happen which actually did.

An important witness, the judge continued, was Mrs. Shortan, a friend of Mrs. Russell. She said Mrs. Russell told her after the week-end at Oakley in December, 1920, that nothing had happened between her and her husband.

If the jury accepted the statement they must also consider whether the conversation really applied to that particular week-end or to another. Mrs. Shortan was not called at the last trial. She sat in court all the while, but said it was not until afterwards that she made any statement about this week-end, as she did not until then realise the importance of the incident. If they were satisfied that something happened on the particular date referred to it ended the matter.

As to the alleged adultery with the co-respondent Mr. Mayer at his flat in Half Moon-street, most of the evidence rested with the servants.

The question was whether at this distance of time the servants could really identify any of the women visitors mentioned. Were they mistaken with regard to Mrs. Russell, who denied their evidence?

For "my last look at Malaya," two questions.

Apart from identification, however, the jury would also have to be satisfied that these two people had committed adultery. There was no evidence of such behaviour between Mrs. Russell and Mr. Mayer apart from the evidence about the flat. At the same time it had to be borne in mind that although Mrs. Russell was very open about her indiscretions she said nothing about this.

The questions left to the jury were:

Had Mrs. Russell committed adultery with a man unknown whereby she became mother of the child born in October, 1921?

Had she committed adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. Mayer?

And when it was over there came the long wait before I was permitted to leave. I was much relieved when I was informed that I might take myself home, but I was wholly unprepared for what was to happen.

STAMPEDE UNDER FIRE.

In the street I had my second wrestle to worm myself through a vast crowd, and I had but just crossed over Sickville-street when many guns spat and barked. There was a regular stampede, and before I had time to appreciate it I was hurtled through the swinging doors of a tea shop and fell all of a heap on the floor, with Tom Webster on the top of me and Major Arnold Wilson taking cover in a convenient corner.

Lights were put out; women and girls began to cry. But we were not kept captives for more than a few minutes, and away we hurried to our hotel.

Near to the Bank of Ireland a shot rang out and there jumped in front of me a soldier, rifle in hand, capless, who bade me halt. "And where's the shooting come from?" he inquired. One of my companions pointed to the opposite side of the road, and away he ran. And on the pavement was a youngster who had been brought down with a bullet in his leg.

I had got within striking distance of my quarters when I was pulled up with a jerk, and the white I looked down a rifle I was searched. I counted myself supremely fortunate when I eventually got indoors.

At a time like this it was madness to have such a thing as a boxing match in Dublin; it was all so very much like "tread on the tail of my coat if you dare and you will know that you have been in a shindy." Queer celebration of St. Patrick's Day, to be sure, and yet I am pleased that there was this fight for it gave me an opportunity, which I would not otherwise have had, of seeing and realising for myself to what a pass Ireland has reached.

You are searched as you leave the boat! I went to Baldoyle races and was turned out of my motor-car and had my pockets felt by a couple of young soldiers; I had been in the city but a few minutes when I was enjoined not to trust my best friend on the principle that you never know who's who. Unthinkable Dublin!

#### £14,000 COSTS.

The costs of the Russell divorce case are estimated to exceed £14,000.

## INTO THE EAST.

### TRAVELLER'S TABLES OF THE ORIENT.

## VITAMINES IN BEER.

### ARGUMENT U.S. BREWERS MISS.

The "presence of vitamines in beer," says Mr. Henry C. Fuller in his interesting book, "The Story of Drugs"—printed in the United States—is a "patent argument" for the economic life of the nation."

Why the value of beer as a ready means for supplying these all-important nutritional substances was not urged upon our lawmakers [United States Legislatures], as a reason for not prohibiting its manufacture and sale, is beyond comprehension. The brewers lost the chance of a lifetime. They could have employed a vital argument to bolster up this one-sided fight.

A "yeast filtrate" derived by the American chemist Seidell from brewer's yeast is described as "exceedingly rich in vitamines."

Fifteen drops of yeast filtrate are given to completely paralysed pigeons [paralysed through a course of lion-vitamins food], a relief of the paralysis will occur within an hour, and to all outward appearance the pigeon will be restored to a normal condition within twelve hours.

"Soda and baking powders," Mr. Fuller states, "cannot replace yeast as leavening agents. They may act as occasional substitutes, but they kill the vitamine."

He also touches on the source of another vitamine—the fat-soluble vitamine present in cod-liver oil—as an "interesting subject for speculation."

THE PLACID COD.

"It would appear," he says, "that vitamines are synthesised only in the economy of vegetable growths, and that their presence in animal products depends on the diet of the animal. In fact, it is a question of timely interest among scientists whether fact—or merely fat-soluble vitamine—is necessary in the diet."

But coming back to the codfish, we must alter our ideas regarding the food of fish in general, and instead of considering the cod as a ravenous consumer of the smaller fry of the ocean, place him in the status of a placid sea-grazer.

In a chapter about "dope," Mr. Fuller says that in the United States "investigation into the question of the future status of drug addiction indicates that the evil is on the decrease."

Out of a total of 321 municipalities it was reported by the police officials of 287 that the proclivities were declining, while in 34 cities an increase was noted. The increases were in the larger cities.

It is pointed out that the "evil associated with the use of narcotic drugs is the habit acquired thereby. But not all narcotic drugs are habit-forming."

Hyoscin or scopolamin, a powerful substance occurring in the leaves of henbane and the root of scopolia, possesses the characteristics of a narcotic.

It is the drug employed to induce the "twilight sleep" that allays the suffering incident to childbirth, and is also one of the remedies depended upon by the practitioner in the systematic treatment of alcoholism and the morphine habit.

WHAT DOES THE EAST REALLY WANT?

We talk to them of freedom, and they reply, "Well, give us freedom," but the only freedom they want is freedom from us.

The psychology of Asiatics may often approximate outwardly to our own, but there is something at the back which the arguments of democracy do not touch. Words do not have a universally equal significance. What the Oriental really wants is a return to some sinuous Eastern mode of life where the order of things is fixed within chaotic without.

EASTERN PSYCHOLOGY.

Singapore, to an even greater extent than Colombo or Hongkong, is the "focus-point of the East."

It's the kind of place where you may constantly see dubious-looking people getting hurriedly off ships and simply disappearing into thin air. What scheme must have been hatched in Singapore!

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## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

### ICE CREAM.

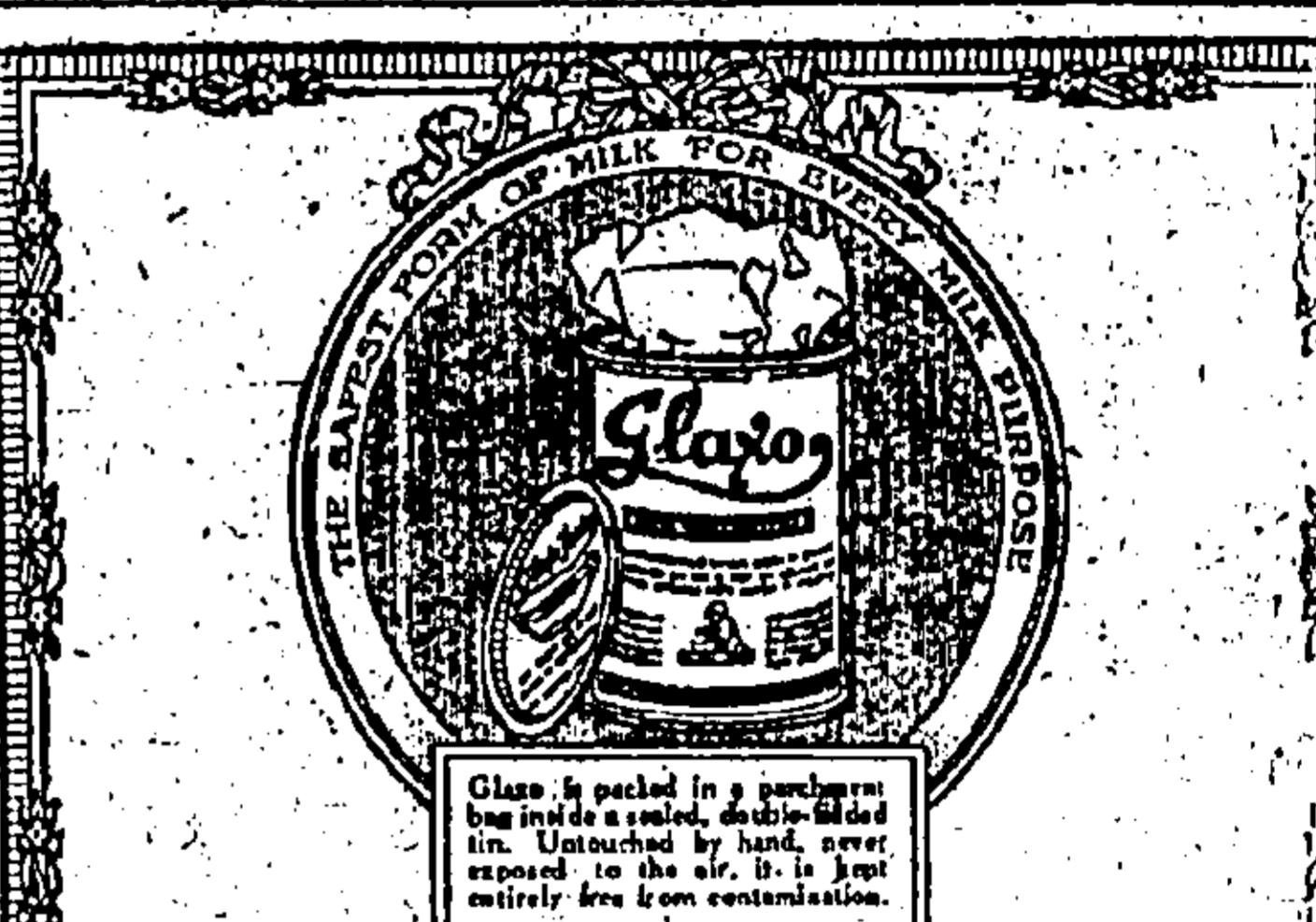
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New Governor of Porto Rico.



Only twenty-four has been made mayor of his native town.



Harvey S. Firestone, head of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company, is trying to form an American rubber combine to operate rubber plantations in Latin America and the Philippines.



Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hitz, who married on board an atlantic liner are shown standing behind the honeymoon flag that was hastily made by Mrs. B. Wiener, stewardess. The flag was presented to the couple when they reached port.



Following a quarrel between the two on a street car, Caraway swashed his umbrella on Wallerstein's shoulders. Wallerstein claims he brushed Caraway accidentally. Caraway alleges Wallerstein kept pulling the Senator's hat over his face.



When her boy little was given a box of modelling clay to play with, Mrs. Nielson discovered her talent for sculpture. She is now fast winning fame.



Castle Forbes, the beautiful Irish home of the Earl and Countess of Granard, has been destroyed by fire. The Earl is a member of the Free State Senate. One of the wealthiest Irish peers, he married Miss Beatrice Mills, in 1909. He has been mentioned as a possible Governor-General of the Irish Free State, if Mr. Timothy Healy should retire.



"Sandy," the little son of Lady Patricia Ramsey (formerly Princess Victoria Helen Elizabeth, "Princess Pat," daughter of the Duke of Connaught), helps the Lordion "Bobby" to open the massive iron gates at Buckingham Palace for the return of the King and Queen from the opening of Parliament.



Frederick Schneider, the wealthy contractor, who was mysteriously shot dead as he sat at the wheel of his motor car, was about to effect a reconciliation with his wife, Mrs. Minnie Schneider, whom he had deserted to live with Mrs. Anna Buzzi. Schneider was named as co-respondent when Mrs. Buzzi's husband obtained a divorce from her. An unidentified woman was seen hurrying away from the car after the shots were heard.

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BE CAREFUL NOT TO SCRATCH THE WALL.  
GEE, THIS IS HEAVY - YOU SHOULD HAVE SENT FOR SAFE MOVERS.  
TAKE ME TO QINTY MOORE'S FIRST.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## THE BRITISH BUDGET.

LONDON, April 23rd.  
The Budget resolutions were agreed on after the rejection of an amendment to reduce the Income Tax.

## SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY.

LONDON, April 23rd.  
A message from President Harding, read at a meeting of the Governors of the Shakespeare Memorial on the occasion of the celebrations in honour of Shakespeare's birthday at Stratford-on-Avon, said: "The American people are always sympathetic with every appreciation of the works of the immortal bard, constituting part of the magnificent joint heritage of the British and American peoples, and one of the ties which have so long bound them by a community of aspiration and earnest purpose on behalf of the highest interests of humanity."

## HINDU-MOLEM DIFFERENCES.

AMRITSAR, April 23rd.  
The Congress leaders' effort to reconcile Hindu and Moslem differences have been abortive here, as the Lahore communal boycott tension continues.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GENEVA, April 23rd.  
The Dutch physician, Lorenz, succeeds Professor Einstein on the League of Nations Intellectual Co-operation Commission.

## DENMARK AND RUSSIA.

COPENHAGEN, April 23rd.  
A provisional agreement, signed at Moscow, between Denmark and the Soviet, establishes *de facto* relations. The Danes are entitled to engage in industrial undertakings in Russia, and are guaranteed against seizure of property without full compensation.

## THE INDIAN FRONTIER OUTRAGE.

PESHAWAR, April 23rd.  
The release of Miss Ellis has not yet been effected, for though she has been rescued from the clutches of her captors she is still in the heart of the Tihra country, and there is a possibility of their offering further opposition.

## SOUNDS.

## DO THEY INTEREST YOU?

I have always made a quaint, though not very profound, study of sounds, writes James Hilton in *The Star*. Some people insult a sound by calling it a noise, but this to my mind is more prejudice. You can say a certain sound is pleasing or displeasing, just as you can say the same of a picture or a novel, but to say, "Oh, it's just a noise!" is begging the question. Personally I like the majority of sounds. And if somebody asked me to walk a mile to hear a new sort of one, I would do so and take the risk of not liking it.

By sounds I mean very simply everything that sounds.

High in my list of sounds that are exquisitely beautiful I put the sound of a London tram (only a London tram) as you sit snugly in the corner of the rear alcove above the top deck and are carried swiftly into the fastnesses of some remote suburb.

The trolley-wheel pings along the overhead wire, and every time it crosses the thing-me-jig that holds it to the wire that connects the standards (you know what I mean) it makes a beautiful little executive sound that is for all the world like a kiss.

But I must tell the story of a wonderful sound I once heard. I was walking on the road from Twickenham to Hounslow.

## ANOTHER WORLD SYMPHONY.

It was a dull, glowering winter's afternoon, heavy with mist, and suddenly there came into the gloom of it a most ominous distant murmur, something that reminded me vaguely of the surf breaking upon a sunlit beach, something that, as I walked on and as it grew less faint, seemed to pour floods of strange brilliance into the dreary world. Then all at once I turned a corner, and it was on me in a tide. It was like some wild, fierce symphony of another world, full of gorgeous, intricate confusion—a mighty, passionate riot, wherein a hundred melodies coexisted in one stormy cauldron of discord. I listened for several moments, standing still in the roadway. The power of it seemed endless, uniform, infinite.

Then I walked on and discovered what it was. It was Kneller Hall, and in every window of the huge building I could see the figure of an Army bandman, practising the difficult bits over and over again, no doubt, until he was perfect in them.

I had tea in a little cottage close by, and the woman there told me the noise was something awful during the afternoon practice hours—didn't I think so?

## A Parent's Duty.

Your boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right so far they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain-Relief and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poison is too dangerous a disease to risk. Get it at all Chemists and Druggists.

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

## VESSEL IS DUE

## FROM NORTH CHINA.

Apr. 26.—J.C.J.L. Tiahsien.

## FROM JAVA.

May 7.—J.C.J.L. Tjikini.

## FROM CALCUTTA.

May 8.—N.Y.K. Yamashita Maru.

8.—N.Y.K. Usaka Maru.

## FROM BOMBAY.

May 14.—N.Y.K. Sado Maru.

Kamakura Maru.

## FROM MANILA.

Apr. 29.—U.S.S.B. West Faralon.

May 15.—U.S.S.R. Muras.

## FROM SINGAPORE.

Apr. 29.—U.S.S.B. West Faralon.

May 15.—U.S.S.R. Muras.

## FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

May 7.—E. &amp; A. Eastern.

Changsha.

Aratura.

## FROM NEW YORK.

May 2.—T. I. O. Norboro.

16.—T. I. O. Ethan Allen.

## FROM VANCOUVER.

May 6.—C.P.S. Empress of Asia.

17.—B. F. Achilles.

July 5.—B. F. Tathibius.

July 5.—B. F. Tyndareus.

Aug. 23.—B. F. Proteus.

Sept. 3.—B. F. Achilles.

Philoctetes.

## FROM PORTLAND.

May 10.—U.S.S.B. Pawlet.

## FROM SEATTLE.

May 17.—S. F. Achilles.

July 5.—B. F. Tyndareus.

Aug. 23.—B. F. Proteus.

Sept. 3.—B. F. Philoctetes.

## FROM LOS ANGELES.

Apr. 27.—U.S.S.R. Elfrida.

May 15.—U.S.S.R. West Chopaka.

## FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Apr. 27.—U.S.S.R. Elfrida.

May 15.—U.S.S.R. West Chopaka.

## FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.

Apr. 28.—N. L. Werra.

May 8.—H.E.A.L. Ondorkerk.

June 10.—H.E.A.L. Zosma.

July 3.—H.E.A.L. Kalyan.

## FROM LONDON.

May 5.—P. &amp; O. Novara.

5.—G. L. Glengarry.

15.—P. &amp; O. Sardinia.

15.—P. &amp; O. Soudan.

21.—G. L. Deltis.

21.—P. &amp; O. Glengarry.

4.—G. L. Devanhia.

10.—P. &amp; O. Malwa.

15.—P. &amp; O. Sicilia.

June 30.—P. &amp; O. Kivira.

14.—P. &amp; O. Soudan.

14.—P. &amp; O. Macedonia.

21.—P. &amp; O. Donkola.

25.—P. &amp; O. Macaria.

Sept. 8.—P. &amp; O. Karnala.

12.—P. &amp; O. Kalyan.

## FROM LIVERPOOL.

Apr. 28.—B. F. Glaciarus.

May 2.—B. F. Adrastus.

May 8.—B. F. Toyoshiki Maru.

10.—B. F. Elpenor.

10.—B. F. Myrmidon.

17.—B. F. Phebe.

23.—B. F. Diomed.

31.—B. F. Teiresias.

June 9.—B. F. Rhais.

14.—B. F. Troilus.

22.—B. F. Helene.

27.—B. F. Rhexenor.

30.—B. F. Lamessus.

July 4.—B. F. Alcyoneus.

## FROM HAMBURG.

Apr. 30.—B. F. Adolf von Bayer.

May 10.—N.Y.K. Tajima Maru.

## FROM COPENHAGEN.

May 8.—E. A. Malaya.

June 10.—E. A. Panama.

July 10.—E. A. Bolivia.

July 25.—E. A. Australien.

Aug. 25.—E. A. Java.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

## LEVEL AND STORAGE OF WATER IN RESERVOIRS IN THE 1st APRIL 1923.

## CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

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## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

**Banks**  
the Bank of Canton, Ltd.,  
Des Voeux Road Central.

Alma Specie Bank, Ltd.  
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The Chinese Merchants' Bank, Ltd.,  
Alexandra Bridge, Chater Road

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Building Contractors,  
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Swung Hang & Co., Coal Merchants  
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Tatton & Co., Queen's Road Central,  
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1st floor, No. 74, Queen's Road  
Central, Tel. Central No. 1255.

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Repairmen, 10 Pottinger St. Tel. Cen. 3580

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W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd.,  
Engineers & Shipbuilders,  
Kowloon Bay  
New Work & Repairs  
Call Flag "L."

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and Crockery Wares and Photo  
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Palace Hotel, Kowloon—Corner of  
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minutes from ferry.

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Nam Hing Loong,  
97-99 Queen's Road Central,  
General Storekeepers, Wine & Cigar  
Merchants, General Importers,  
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Tel. Central 351.

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Jan Kang Suitcase Co.,  
Manufacturers of Leather Suitcases,  
Hand Bags, Purse, Belts, etc.  
Pottinger St. 26 Queen's Rd. Ctr  
and 28 Hillier St.

To Hing, 224 Des Voeux Road. Manu-  
facturers of Leather Suitcases, Hand  
bags, Trunks, etc.

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Asia Commercial & Development Co.—  
China Bank Buildings (3rd floor) Tel. 3608

Gibbs, J & Co., Alexandra Building.

**Millinery**  
Madame Lily—Alexandra Building.  
Latest models and creations from  
Paris in Frocks and Millinery.  
"The Centre of Fashion."

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Miners, Importers and Exporters  
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Madame Flint,  
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(Latest Parisian in fashions)

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The Hongkong Optical Co., Phoenix Street  
23 Queen's Road Central.

M. Lazarus Opticians,  
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Mo Cheung, Photographer,  
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Developing & Printing undertaken.

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Publishers and Bookbinders,  
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Mustard & Co., Connaught Road Ctr.

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First floor, Tel. Central 629.  
Shipchandler, Stevedores and  
Compradores.

Wang Kee & Co., Shipchandlers,  
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Merchants. Ba ast & Pilot supply.  
No. 35 & 37, Connaught Road, Tel.  
Central No. 946.

## Shipowners

Man Wing S. S. Co., Ltd.,  
38 Bonham Strand West. Tel. Cen. 1710.  
Regular Freight Service to  
Hongkong and Haiphong via Hoihow  
etc. "Haiyan."

That Thuan S. S. Co., Ltd.,  
147 Wing Lok Street, East. Tel. Cen. 93  
s.s. "Dorwert" s.s. "Borrion"  
between Hongkong and Saigon.

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Jam Kee, Dealer in Sewing Machine  
and Accessories, Boot & Shoe Master,  
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## Silk Stores

D. Chollaran—Royal Silk Store,  
38 Queen's Road Central. Satin  
Crepe de Chine, Georgette and  
Brocade Silks.

Pohocomull Bros., 36, Queen's Rd. C.

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Ladies' and Gent's Tailors,  
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of all descriptions. Tel. Cen. 3880.

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Wine & Spirit Merchant.  
No. 102, Queen's Road Ctr.

## FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

The fare prescribed for public vehicles  
are as follows:

I.—In the Island of Hongkong, Cains  
Road and Lower Levels, and in  
Kowloon, and New Kowloon.

## RICKSHAW.

Five minutes..... 5 cents  
Ten minutes..... 10 ..  
Quarter hour..... 15 ..  
Half hour..... 20 ..  
One hour..... 30 ..  
Every subsequent hour..... 30 ..

If the jinrikisha be engaged  
within the City of Victoria, and be dis-  
charged outside the Western part of the  
City of Victoria after 9 p.m. or be dis-  
charged on the Eastern side of the City  
of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half  
hour shall be chargeable.

For 2 or 3 drivers the fare is double or  
treble respectively.

II.—In the Hill District.  
Ten minutes..... 15 cents.  
Quarter hour..... 20 ..  
Half hour..... 30 ..  
One hour..... 40 ..  
Every subsequent hour..... 40 ..

III.—In the New Territories.  
By arrangement with the proprietors  
through the Police.

## CARRIERS.

I.—Lower Levels,  
With 2 Drivers With 4 Drivers.  
Ten minutes..... 10 cents..... 20 cents  
Quarter hour..... 15 .. 30 ..  
Half hour..... 25 .. 40 ..  
One hour..... 35 .. 60 ..  
Every subsequent hour..... 40 ..

II.—Hill District,  
With 2 Drivers With 4 Drivers.  
Ten minutes..... 15 cents..... 20 cents  
Quarter hour..... 20 .. 40 ..  
Half hour..... 30 .. 60 ..  
One hour..... 40 .. 80 ..  
Every subsequent hour..... 40 ..

Take Care of Yourself.  
If you want a clear head and good  
digestion you must not let your bowels  
become charged with poisonous waste  
from the body, as it is always the case  
with those who are overindulged. Proper  
food, a moderate diet, water and plenty  
of exercise will keep your bowels regular.

When that fails you  
should take Chamberlain's Tablets.  
They give a gentle movement of the  
bowels and are easy and pleasant to  
take. For sale by all Chemists and  
Stockkeepers.

WEATHER REPORT.

Apr. 25d. 10h. 55m.—Pressure has  
increased moderately at Vladivostok,  
Shanghai, Hongkong and Toulouane.  
It has increased slightly over Formosa  
and the Philippines.

The Loches depression has filled  
up. An anticyclone has formed over  
N. China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours  
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 9.55 inches.  
Total since January 1st, 9.55 inches  
against an average of 10.48 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at  
noon on April 26, 1923.

1.—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds  
strong.

2.—South coast of China between  
Hongkong and Lantau. N.E. winds,  
fresh; overcast at first, improving later.

3.—Hongkong to Gascoigne  
Bank. N.E. winds, fresh; overcast at first, improving later.

4.—South coast of China between  
Hongkong and Taiwan. N.E. winds,  
fresh; overcast at first, improving later.

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REGULAR AND FAST FREIGHT AND  
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## LIVERPOOL SERVICE

(Direct or via Continental Ports)

"TEUCLER"..... 1st May Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow  
"MERIDIONES"..... 20th May Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow  
"ELPEGOR"..... 1st June Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

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(via Kobe and Yokohama)

"PROTEUS"..... 16th May Victoria, Seattle and  
Vancouver  
"ACHILLES"..... 12th June Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver

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"ATREUS"..... 5th May via Sueu  
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